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BURNS' RACKET.

TWO MEN WERE KILLED

By a Drunken Indian at Eu-
faula Where Whisky
Was Plentiful.

John Tiger, a Creek Indian who lives four miles east of Eu-
faula, went into town and celebrated
Christmas by getting drunk and
becoming involved in an alter-
cation which resulted in the death
of two innocent men and the fatal
wounding of another.

Tiger quarreled with L. B. Roper
and was struck over the head
with a pistol. Going to another
part of town the Indian secured a
revolver and began searching for
Roper. He failed to find him, but
about 11:30 o'clock, coming up to
a crowd on a street corner, he be-
gan shooting at everyone in sight.

Dave Porter was shot through
the abdomen and died in the after-
noon. Jesse Beck was also shot
in the abdomen and cannot live.
A mover, who with his family,
was in a wagon, was shot in the
head and died several hours later.
Another bullet from Tiger's re-
volver grazed the leg of Emmett
Clemmons and a boy named Aut-
man was shot in the leg.

J. Smith, who lives two miles
south of Chacotah, quarreled with
T. Thompson over the shooting.
The men called each other
liars and then began shooting.
Thompson was mortally wounded.
Smith and Tiger were taken to the
United States jail at Muskogee.
There is an extra guard at the jail
to prevent lynching.

Hadn't the Heart to Explain.
She was a Cleveland girl, says
the Plaindealer, and had never
seen a football game. He is an
enthusiast. That is why she listened
with an interested face as he
read aloud the detailed account of
the big game.

"I should think," she said in
her pretty way, "that in such a
rough game outsiders would know
better than to intrude upon the
field."

He looked puzzled.
"What do you mean?" he asked.
"Why," she answered, "didn't
you just read to me that some in-
quisitive person named A. Goal
was twice kicked from the field?"
And for the life of him he
couldn't summon up the necessary
hardihood to explain her misap-
prehension.

TERRITORIAL STATEHOOD.

An Official Now in Washington Gives
Views on the All Absorb-
ing Question.

The Washington, D. C., Times
in a recent issue says: Mr. C. M.
Campbell, clerk of the United
States district court at Ardmore,
Indian territory, is in the city on
private business before the depart-
ments. Mr. Campbell is one of
the staunch advocates of the bill
now before congress, to make Okla-
homa a state.

Speaking of this proposition, he
said that the people of Indian
territory want to see Oklahoma
admitted as a state, with the pro-
vision that, at some future time,
the Indian territory, is to be made
a part of the same state. He says
there are two parties in the terri-
tory, one favoring single statehood
and the other double statehood.
He says, however, that both par-
ties will be satisfied if Oklahoma is
admitted to the union, with pro-
visions mentioned. Speaking of
matters concerning the In-
dians, he said:

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taken steps to improve south park
and make it a breathing spot for
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beautification.

own property in any section of the

territory. The Indians will be
allowed to sell one-fourth of his
allotment the second year after
the allotment is made. At certain
intervals he will be allowed to dis-
pose of sections of his lands. To
prevent him becoming an addi-
tional care to the government,
however, it is provided that he
must retain 160 acres of land for
his own use. This he cannot sell.
When the allotments have all been
made and we settle down to the
development of the territory, then
we will ask to be taken into the
federation of states. Until this
has been accomplished we will be
satisfied in the knowledge that our
neighboring territory has been ad-
mitted to the union."

TRAIN ROBBERY

That Was Expected But Did Not
Occur on the N. P. and
Katy Roads.

For some time there has been
vague rumors of an attempted
holdup of one of the Katy trains.
A few days ago a letter was re-
ceived by a railroad official in
Kansas City to the effect that a
Missouri Pacific train would be
held up near Salislaw and that the
people "with whom the writer had
fallen out" would cross over the
country to the vicinity of Pryor
Creek.

The officials of the two roads,
while giving the letter but little
credence, took every precaution
and the robbers, had they attacked
the train, would have met with a
warm reception.

At Fort Smith Mayor Garrett,
Chief of Police Fuller and Col.
Oscar L. Miles, fortified themselves
with pistols and Winchester, and
boarded the Missouri Pacific train
and went the limit returning to
Fort Smith on the next train.

At Parsons a guard was orga-
nized to protect the Katy train and
this guard was supplemented by a
number of men of Vinita known
for their bravery in encounters
with outlaws. The guard went to
Muskogee last Friday and returned
on the midnight train.

Christmas Marriages.
Monday, Tuesday and Wednes-
day the following licenses were
issued at the clerk's office to those
who desired to wed during the
holidays: Elias Shuff-bean and
Lillie Coad, Tulsa; Clinton Deek-
ins Lulu Monday, Weir; G. O.
Smith-Martha Leslie, Vinita;

Henry E. Wingfield Laura Arthur,
Big Cabin; John English-Leona
Cunningham, Pryor Creek; Charles
H. Love Elmina Johnson, Catoosa;
T. C. Wendell-Ella Hunt, Chelsea;
C. N. Austin-Mary J. Moore, Vin-
ita; John M. Williams Allie E. E.
Towler, Claremore; G. E. Parker,
Louise E. George, Spencer acad-
emy; Wm. Riley-Maudie Mayfield,
Chelsea; Perry Landrum Lizzie
Landrum, Needmore; Jack Bald-
ridge-Carrie Gibson, Vinita; Albert
Brown-Mamie Duffield, Pryor
Creek; G. W. Holbrook-Lulu Ed-
wards, Preston, Tex.; A. M. Jones,
Jessie Hampton, Alluwe.

Ex-President Cleveland's Magazine
Articles.

Ex-President Cleveland is writing
for the Saturday Evening Post
a series of strong articles which
will appear in the magazine during
the winter months. Some of these
papers will deal with political af-
fairs, and others with the personal
problems of young men. They
will be Mr. Cleveland's first ut-
terances in any magazine on the
questions of the day since he left
the white house.

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BASKET BALL.

Story of a Recent Seminary
Game Well Told in Verse.

A very interesting game of
basket ball was played on the
campus of the Female Seminary,
December 8, 1900, between the
juniors and seniors.

The game was called at 3 p. m.
All the juniors played a very good
game, especially Miss Lucy Starr
who won the admiration of the
audience by her sure playing. She
landed the ball safely in the basket
twice making four points.

The time keeper, Mr. Coppock,
shortly after called time and the
game ended with a score of four to
nothing in favor of the juniors.
The line-up was as follows:

JUNIORS.

Lala Ward, Captain;
Bula Edmondson,
Lizzie Ross,
Susie Sevier, center;
Lucy Starr,
Sarah Ballard,
Byrde Faulkner.

SENIORS.

Rosanna Harnage, Cap.
Juliette Smith,
Josie Howard,
Mary Garrett,
Minnie Benge,
Sallie Parris,
Myrtle French.

Referee: Mrs. Shelton, of Fe-
male Seminary.

Umpire: Prof. Harnage of Male
Seminary.

Scorers: Miss Thornton of sen-
ior class and Miss Tyler of junior
class.

Timekeeper: Mr. Coppock, U.
S. Supervisor.

The story of the game has been
splendidly told in verse and sent
to this office with no name attached
although the author should be
proud of his or her effort. It is
appended:

"The Juniors the class for basket ball,
We've beat the Seniors and that's not
all;

We've beat the Seniors two out of
three;

Cheered by the yells of the Seminary.
We won the first game two to naught,
For in that game much art was
wrought.

We won the next which made them
blue

By a small score of three to two;
The third game was the best of all
And showed the roughness of basket
ball.

Each of us all got knocks and blows—
And at each scrimmage the cheering
rose.

The captain on the junior team
Fell down once or twice. It certainly
did seem as if she couldn't keep
on her feet—

Perhaps that's the reason that our
side beat.

Oh, the Senior side were not very gay;
For again they had to give up the day.
At half past four they all went home
And each of us went to our own little
room.

And I guess the Juniors, one and all
Dreamed that night of basket ball."

SHANGHI PIERCE DEAD.

The Unique Texas Cattleman Who
Was Well Known in Vinita.

A. H. Pierce, well known in
Vinita as "Shanghi" Pierce, a
noted cattleman, died at his home
in Wharton county, Texas, Wed-
nesday.

Mr. Pierce went as a poor boy to
Texas in the early days and, be-
cause of his lankiness and stature
he was dubbed Shanghi, a sobri-
quet that has remained with him
ever since.

He is known in every town in
Texas and the two territories and
by nearly every cattle man in the
country. He owned ranches,
stock, railroads, banks and real
estate and died reputed to be the
richest man in Texas. Some won-
derful stories are told of this
unique man. Most of them are
fanciful or have but a grain of

truth, but the plain unvarnished
facts about his career, if once
gathered, would serve as tales of
adventure sufficiently to keep a
writer busy for many a day.

Mr. Pierce was a good man, gen-
erous, and much liked. His death
is regretted by thousands. From
an uneducated gawk of a boy,
working in the fields with negro
slaves, he rose by the force of
character, natural business acumen
and ability to be a power in Texas.

LOST HIS WHISKEY.

Then the Young Man Ran Like a
Belgian Hare to Escape
an "Officer."

A young man who lives some
miles south of town has been vis-
iting a village west of here for a
week. Thursday he reached Vin-
ita on his way home riding in a
buggy, but when he left the "hot-
footed" it over the prairie running
until he got short-legged, and com-
pletely out of breath.

The young man tied his horse
on Wilson avenue and sought out
some friends to whom he confided
that he had a gallon of "corn" in
the buggy but that the stopper
would remain in until he got home.

One of the "boys" invited him
to walk around the corner on one
pretext or another when others of
the crowd "lifted" the jug and
cached it under some boards in an
alley.

All unconscious the young man
from the south took his place in
the buggy and started home. In
an hour he returned with blood in
his eye intending to stir things up
a bit. To quiet him one of the
men of the party unknown to him
stepped up and in a deep, bass
voice asked: "Where's the man
belonging to that buggy. I found
a jug of whiskey in it awhile ago
and destroyed it. I'm a marshal
and want to arrest him."

The victim of the joke suddenly
disappeared and the last seen of
him he was running south over the
prairie as tight as he could go.
Later in the evening he sent a boy
into town with a note to a friend
to send him the horse, buggy and
his overcoat as he was "darned
cold hiding in the cornfield from
that fresh officer."

CORN SHELTER RIPPED.

A Heavy Rock Was Pitched in With
the Grain But Wouldn't
Go Through.

The corn shelter at the Oswego
grain and milling company's ele-
vator will be idle for a week or so.
Friday night they purchased a
wagon load of corn from a farmer
who weighed in a heavy cobbler-
stone. The rock was pitched into
the shelter with the corn and with
a rip and a bang the machinery,
that was running at a high speed,
was demolished.

Agent W. M. Hobbs states that
he is convinced the rock was not
purposely placed in the load of
corn, and that it was simply there
by an accident on the part of the
farmer in gathering it up with his
corn while loading after night.

Escaped Convict Jailed.
Christmas day City Marshal
Johnson, of Chetopa, captured
Fred C. Heron, a convict who es-
caped from Kansas state peniten-
tiary December 19th, and stole a
Hambletonian stallion at Tonga-
noxie, riding him to that place.
Heron had on prison clothes with
stripes cut off and did not deny
his identity.

Frisco Pushing Extension.

President Yoakum of the Frisco
announces that the fifth section of
the Red river division, to Roff, I.
T., will be opened for all classes
of business January 1. This is on
the extension now being built
from Sapulpa, I. T., to Sherman,
Texas.

ENJOYABLE SOCIAL.

A Reception Last Night at
the Home of Mr. and
Mrs. W. P. Thompson.

One of the most enjoyable social
functions that ever occurred in Vi-
nita was the reception given at the
home of Mr. and Mrs. W. P.
Thompson Wednesday night.

The entertainment was original-
ly arranged for the members of the
Ladies' Euchre club but, in honor
of Mrs. Dr. Charles M. Ross, of
Tahlequah, a sister of Mrs. Thomp-
son who is a guest during the hol-
idays, a number of other ladies
and gentlemen were invited.

The earlier hours of the evening
were charmingly spent in card
games, music and social converse.
After a dainty collation of refresh-
ments and confections were served,
the rugs were drawn from the
highly polished floors and the soft
strains of a popular waltz filled the
spacious parlors. But few could
resist the music and the dance that
followed added to the merriment
of those present, who were, in ad-
dition to Mr. and Mrs. Thompson
and Mrs. Ross, the Messrs and
Mesdames: Don Carlos, W. M.
Mellette, Phillips, Preston Davis,
Kornegay, Luman Parker, Jr., W.
E. Halsell, Ewing Halsell, R. J.
Blakeney, G. W. Miller, John
Swain, J. H. Butler; Mesdames J.
C. Anderson, Emmet Skinner;
Misses Carrie Goodykoontz, Mabel
Miller, Grace Fortner, Nellie Byrd,
Carrie VanPelt, Lydia Clark, Mary
Groseline, the Misses Goodin and
Deal of Missouri; Messrs. Critten-
den, Dr. Louis and Will Bagby,
E. N. Williamson, Tom Byrd,
Mayor Sheehan, Vance McSpad-
den, S. C. Williamson.

IN MEMORIAM.

Resolutions Adopted in Respect to
the Memory of Mrs. Frayser.

The following resolutions were
adopted by the Ladies' Missionary
society of the Presbyterian church
of Vinita, I. T.

Whereas, God in his infinite
wisdom and unchanging love has
called to her eternal rest our be-
loved friend and fellow laborer,
Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Frayser, we
bow our heads in humble submis-
sion and say "Even so, Father,
for so seemeth it good in thy
sight." Her presence and help-
fulness will be sadly missed for a
long time to come. The three
marked characteristics of her life
were love of home and husband,
love for the church and unselfish-
ness to a very marked degree. Her
first thought was always for the
comfort of others.

Resolved, that this society can-
not adequately express its sym-
pathy with the bereft husband and
relatives. It can only prayerfully
and affectionately commend them
to the God of all comfort, who
comforteth us all in our afflictions.

Resolved, that a copy of these
resolutions be entered on the min-
utes of the society, and that a copy
be sent to her husband and also to
her sister, Mrs. Theurer and other
relatives of Ft. Smith, Ark.

Mrs. SOPHIA BETHELL,
Mrs. T. F. THOMPSON, } Com.
Mrs. WILLIAM T. KING, }

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Leo E. Bennett, marshal; C. A. Davidson,
clerk; P. L. Soper, attorney. Terms: Mas-
sachusetts, September and January; Maine, Oc-
tober and January; Tahlequah, October
and April; Muskogee, November and April;
Wagoner, November and March; Vinita, last
Monday in December and 24th Monday in May

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Central Dist. W. H. B. Clayton, judge;
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J. H. Watkins, prosecuting attorney.

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retary; Jos. M. Lohay, treasurer; J. T.
Parks, executive secretary.

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Falls.

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nings. W. T. King, pastor.

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Day, superintendent. Junior League 3 p. m.
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m. W. G. Patterson, pastor.

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11:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. S. J. Vance, pas-
tor.

A. M. E. CHURCH.
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2:30. J. O. Hicks, superintendent. Preach-
ing every Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.
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ing Wednesday and Friday evenings at 7:30.
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hall, B. F. Fortner, high priest; W. L.
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Tuesday night in Odd Fellow hall
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tum, M. G.; A. G. Johnston, Secretary.

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